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## 1972

When the massive publicity flap of 1966 began, interested journalists and scientists discovered that the available UFO data consisted almost entirely of random anecdotes which were uncorrelated and had not even been indexed. No valid statistical studies were available and NICAP's UFO EVIDENCE was the only existing source of information. While it was a notable effort, it was a one-man (Richard Hall) compilation and was biased and filled with flaws. Despite twenty years of controversy and alleged "research" this serious lack of effective research materials discouraged many of the professionals who were briefly attracted to the subject and it enabled several "professional sceptics" to run amok and exploit the field.

In Hollywood and on Madison Avenue they speak in terms of a "generation cycle". Generally, it has been found that a new "generation" (market) appears every seven years. For this reason motion pictures such as "GONE WITH THE WIND" are re-released every seven years, ostensibly to an entirely new audience. Most movie stars are signed to seven-year contracts. With a few notable exceptions, such as Cary Grant, John Wayne, etc., the average movie star is no longer "box office" at the end of his or her seven year term.

There is a "generation cycle" in Ufology, also. The average Ufologist remains actively interested for from 3 to 5 years. We have made a thorough study of the UFO-zines covering the past twenty years and estimate that the average journal has a life expectancy of about 18 months. Many of the publications which blossomed in 1966 have now faded from the scene and their once-enthusiastic editors have abandoned the subject. The same was true in the 1950's. A very few, such as APRO, NICAP and FLYING SAUCER REVIEW, have struggled on for years and have provided what continuity there is to UFO research. Several of the journals now publishing are suffering from the growing decline in interest and may soon fold. All express hope that a new "flap" will revive interest and enable them to continue.

Unfortunately, publicity flaps are not actually related to UFO activity. They are based upon a series of delicate subjective factors. Public interest in any subject is most fickle. It is impossible to hold the public's interest for very long. Yesterday's sensation  
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become today's bore. The press is influenced by the trends in public interest, and editors also become bored. When the magic words "Flying Saucers" on the covers of their magazines and newspapers no longer produce added sales they move onto other subjects which do. After 5-7 years, a new "generation cycle" occurs. New attention is paid to something which has been there all along. A new UFO book lands on the Best Seller list, or a new Michigan-type flap wins the attention of a wire service. A new group of young people are intrigued and new mimeographs begin to churn out newsletters.

Instead of bemoaning the current "lull", we should be taking advantage of this quiet moment in UFO history. We should be studying the flap material of the recent past, compiling the desperately needed statistical studies, and preparing a valid body of well-documented material. Then, when the next big publicity flap finally does take place, we will have something more to offer the press and the scientific community than a ragged collection of quotes asserting "Where there's smoke there must be fire".

Judging from past trends, we can not really expect a new explosion of interest in the phenomenon until about 1972. We should gear our present efforts to that date. Teamwork is essential. Too much energy has been spent on intramural feuds and emotional side issues. There has been too much nonsense and not enough hard, tedious research. In ANOMALY, and in the FLYING SAUCER REVIEW we have outlined the problems and suggested new avenues of approach. Several American UFO-zines have accepted our challenge and are now working to compile and publish data using the Data Reduction System. The Aerial Phenomena Research Organization (APRO) recently announced plans to issue bi-annual statistical studies of the reports they receive. These efforts must be encouraged and every researcher should try to participate. A responsible objective methodology must replace the immature, ego-ridden subjective approach of the past.

The year 1972 is not very far off. When it comes, what will we have to offer? Tirades about governmental conspiracies? Reams of articles dissecting the minor personalities involved in Ufology? Semantics and opinions? Or will we be able to present well-documented studies of the hard data to a sceptical press and the general public. Endless anecdotes are not evidence. We must extract the correlative facts from those anecdotes and present them in an objective, unemotional manner. The angry and often paranoid "causes" of the past can be, and must be, replaced by sensible down-to-earth research. We can...and will...prove our case in 1972.

-editor



# The Air Force Statistics: A PROBLEM OF ACCURACY

**John A. Keel**

In 1966, I collected all of the available U.S. Air Force statistical reports on unidentified flying objects and spent many long hours comparing their figures for various years and rechecking all of their calculations on an adding machine. The results were very intriguing. It was obvious that the Air Force statistics had been wantonly juggled from year to year and that their total reliability was nil. The tables in the 1966 Project Blue Book report, for example, contained no less than 22 blatant mistakes in basic arithmetic. Apparently no one in the Air Force can even add. More perplexing, perhaps, is the fact that many UFO researchers have repeatedly published these erroneous figures in their publications without ever bothering to check the statistics out. These false tables have also been published over and over again in newspapers throughout the world and in other governmental publications dealing with UFOs.

I compiled a most extensive breakdown of these incredible discrepancies and wrote a 6,000 word analysis, complete with graphs, charts and tables which fully demonstrated how the Air Force figures have been manipulated. This article has floated from publisher to publisher for two years and was rejected by everyone from TRUE, ARGOSY, and SAGA to more obscure "scientific" publications. The usual reason for rejection was that the piece was

"too technical". Mass magazines were afraid of boring their readers with an article which dealt purely with statistics and mathematics.

However, I do feel that this study is of prime importance to ufologists and so I will summarize the results here. You can check my findings with your own Blue Book files and I hope you will use this material as "ammunition" in your own lectures, radio and TV appearances, and publications. By emphasizing the total inaccuracy and unreliability of the Air Force calculations we can diminish the validity of the government's anti-UFO claims.

I am grateful to several independent researchers who provided me with earlier Blue Book releases for this study.

For years Project Blue Book told us that a mere 79 UFO reports had been received by the Air Force in 1947. Actually, over 500 sightings had been published in newspapers from coast-to-coast during the single two week period of late June and early July 1947. Mr. Ted Bloecher compiled and published 200 of these reports last year.

In Blue Book's 1966 report the 1947 figure was suddenly changed from 79 to 122. Somehow, apparently, an additional 43 sightings from 1947 had turned up 19 years later. In their 1966 listings they unaccountably increased the number of sightings for each year except 1949, 1952 and 1954.

In my SAGA article of October 1967, I noted that the report of the

"Top Secret" C.I.A. panel on UFOs, issued in 1953, declared that there had been 1,900 sighting reports received in 1952. Blue Book's 1966 report lists only 1,501 sightings for that year. What happened to the other 399?

In their "SPECIAL REPORT #14" issued in 1955, Project Blue Book openly stated: "Official reports on hand at the end of 1954 totaled 4,834". Blue Book's 1960 report offered the following breakdown:

1947 -	79
1948 -	143
1949 -	186
1950 -	169
1951 -	121
1952 -	1501
1953 -	425
1954 -	429
3,053 TOTAL	

It looks as if a whopping 1,781 UFO cases were misplaced somewhere between 1955 and 1960 (4,834 compared with 3,053). But before you start worrying about those missing files, 297 of them apparently turned up again in 1965-66. Here are the official Air Force statistics for those same years as published in 1966:

1947 -	122
1948 -	156
1949 -	186
1950 -	210
1951 -	169
1952 -	1501
1953 -	509
1954 -	487
3,340 TOTAL	



BLUE BOOK SPECIAL REPORT #14 stated that a total of 3,201 cases received from 1947 to 1952 were used in their tabulations. But if you add up the 1966 figures for those same years you will find that they total only 2,344. Somewhere in the Pentagon a strong wind blew away 857 clouds of swamp gas between 1955 and 1966. If you add up the 1955-1966 figures and compare them with the earlier figures, you will find that a total of 1,494 sighting reports have been juggled out of existence. And that's only a starter. They've also been adding as well as subtracting.

Blue Book's 1960 report claimed that a total of 6,312 reports were received between 1947-59. But when you check their 1967 figures for that same period you arrive at a total of 6,578. Somehow, in recent years another 266 ancient cases have turned up. Another enigmatic 121 cases were added to the years 1953-59 in the 1966 report. But in 1960 the Air Force total for those years was 4,113. In 1966 it jumped suddenly to 4,234.

Here are some other specific examples.

## SPECIFIC ALTERATIONS

### IN AIR FORCE UFO STATISTICS

(For the purposes of this analysis we have selected only one column of figures for comparison. You will find that most of the other Air Force statistics can be compared in the same manner and that equally blatant errors are present.)

1.) Statistics as released by the U.S. Air Force in the spring of 1966.

	<u>1958</u>
Astronomical	221
Aircraft	104
Balloon	50
Insufficient data	111
Other	93
Satellite	13
Unidentified	<u>10</u>
Air Force Total for this column	827
Actual Total	602
(add it yourself)	

The above figures (and all the other columns were erroneous, too) were widely published . . . even in the formal report on the UFO Hearing of the Armed Services Committee, April 5, 1966.

2.) Someone in Project Blue Book finally caught the mistakes and the numbers in all the columns were juggled to match the previously published totals. Here is the same column turned out in a later Air Force release. Compare it with the above.

	<u>1958</u>
Astronomical	231
Aircraft	106
Balloon	58
Insufficient data	111
Other	93
Satellite	18
Unidentified	<u>10</u>
Air Force's new Total for this column	627
Actual Total	627
It now matches the figures.	

3.) The Condon Report chose to publish the first set of figures (page 521) but wisely deleted all totals. If you add up the basic columns in Table 3, page 521, you will find that the totals do not match the totals in Table 1, page 514.

4.) If you add up the horizontal columns in Table 1, page 514, you will discover similar discrepancies. The column for 1953, for example, adds up to 508. The Air Force total is 509. If you add up the basic data column for 1953 in Table 3, page 521, you will get a total of 530. The original Air Force total for this column was 505. Thus we have no less than four different totals for a column of ancient statistics which should have remained stable over the years. Instead, the Air Force keeps adding and subtracting from its data and can't even figure out the correct total!

5.) If you do not have a copy of the Blue Book release for 1965-66, you can find an accurate reproduction of these tables in Captain Loftin's book, "IDENTIFIED FLYING

SAUCERS", pages 233-236. Compare it carefully to the earlier tables as reproduced in the Condon Report. Add up the column of "Total Sightings" - 1947-66 (Loftin, page 233). While the Air Force total is 11,003, the actual total is 10,903. The figure for 1965 is given as 886. Later this was changed to 887 by the Air Force, as per Table 1 in the Condon Report.

6.) In the Air Force's own Blue Book Report #14 (1955), Table A1 presents a complete breakdown of the sighting reports evaluated in that study. These were from the years 1947 to 1952 exclusively. A total of 2300 reports are represented. Of these, 689 are listed as "Unknown". Elsewhere in Report #14, (page viii) it is stated, "Official reports on hand at the end of 1954 totaled 4834. Of these 425 were produced in 1953 and 429 in 1954 . . . The period January 1, 1955 to May 5, 1955 accounted for 131 unidentified aerial object reports received."

Now compare the above Air Force figures with the figures published in the tables in the Condon Report, and in Loftin's book.

A total of 434 "unknowns" were selected for the Report #14 study. A total of 689 were definitely classified as "unknown". Yet in 1966, we were told that the grand total of "unknowns" for the past 19 years was only 659. Thirty less than the 1952 total!

Are you confused and bewildered? You were meant to be. THE SIMPLE TRUTH IS THAT THE AIR FORCE STATISTICS ARE NOT WORTH THE PAPER THEY'RE PRINTED ON. The figures are deliberately juggled from year to year. The compilers may have safely felt that no one would bother to add up and compare all of those digits. Traditionally, people only look at the final column in statistics . . . the totals. Few ever bother to check all the columns.

Someone connected with the Condon Project did bother to check out the Air Force table, it seems. So they deliberately deleted all totals from all columns when they reproduced the 1966 figures (dated November 1, 1965) as Table 3, page 521 of the Condon Report. These erroneous totals have been widely published. ~~and they have been~~

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# ? ANOMALIES ?

During the past three years we have received many "crank" letters and pieces of "anomalous mail". Some of these made direct threats against our person, while others were cleverly and carefully composed. We turned a few of the more serious-sounding items over to the F.B.I. We attempted to investigate other items through Postal Inspectors. A total of four proved to be the work of mischievous "UFO buffs". The remainder are still unidentified or unsolved. Individuals involved in our investigations also received unusual letters which we added to our collection.

Here is a representative group of anomalous letters.

EXHIBIT "A": In the Fall of 1967 this item appeared in our mail box in an Air Mail envelope without a stamp. The word "FREE" was typed in the upper right hand corner. The words "INTERNATIONAL BANKERS" were typed in the upper left hand corner. The letterhead bearing the words "INTERNATIONAL BANKERS" was well-printed on high quality bond paper. The paper was very slightly yellowed around the edges indicating that it had been on hand for sometime. The envelope was of a type widely sold in post exchanges in Viet Nam. Soldiers in Viet Nam may send unstamped letters by writing "Free" in the right hand corner. There was no postmark. The letter appears to have been typed on an electric typewriter. You will note that the word "comming" is misspelled. Misspellings of simple words are a common factor in mail of this sort. These often seem quite deliberate. (i.e., a witness in West Virginia received a note containing the word "want" instead of the intended "won't".) The vague prediction that 1968 would be a "black year" proved disturbingly accurate. 1968 proved to be the year of widespread civil disturbances and the assassinations of Martin Luther King and Robert Kennedy.

EXHIBIT "B": This is a classic "crank" letter. In 1967, a young man on Long Island, a student at a New York Police Academy, was involved in UFO investigations and several "Men in Black" cases. He appeared on an interview program on station WBAB (Babylon, L.I.) under the pseudonym of "David Kimble". This letter, postmarked from Farmingdale, N.Y., Jan. 14, 1968, was sent to "David Kimble" in care of WBAB. Both the address on the envelope and the letter itself were composed by letters cut from magazine advertisements and attached to the paper with strips of scotch tape. The letter was on a sheet of standard "Sphinx" bond. We were unable to trace it.

EXHIBIT "C": The editors of SAGA magazine have received many unusual pieces of mail since they began publishing regular UFO articles in 1966, including letters purportedly written by the celebrated "Carlos Allende". This exhibit was mailed in a brown manila envelope and was postmarked "Pittsfield, Ma., Oct. 14, 1968". The word "VOK" was typed in the upper left hand corner of the envelope.  
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# THE INTERNATIONAL BANKERS

Mr. John Keel  
330 E. 33rd Street  
New York, New York, 10016

Mr. Keel:

The year 1967 A.D. is rapidly coming to a close.

Phase One and Phase Three are almost complete so we take it upon ourselves to give you ample warning Mr. Keel.

Mr. Keel, let us warn you now that the year 1968 A.D. will have the color black as its symbol, so Mr. Keel, be extremely cautious and do not take much interest in things that do not concern you and others. We are a very powerful organization Mr. Keel and can make things very uncomfortable for you and your friends who try to find out too much about Phase One, Three or any thing concerning other parts of the Universe.

If you do not heed our warning Mr. Keel we will be forced to visit you as we did MR. Henslik. We are always watching Mr. Keel, we have eyes and ears that never sleep.

Others have tried, without success, to find out things that do not concern them, such as Dr. Jessup, Al Bender and others who you do not even know about.

Do not overstep your bounds Mr. Keel, even your own government cannot protect you from our powers.

Remember Mr. Keel 1968 A.D. will have Black as its symbol.





DAVID KIMBLE

FORGET ABOUT

FLYING SAUCERS YOU

CAN'T STOP US  
WILL ONLY CAUSE  
PANIC AND DISASTER

[Editorial note: The letters on this paste-up  
were in various colors and do not  
reproduce well.]

TEXT: DAVID KIMBLE FORGET  
ABOUT FLYING SAUCERS YOU  
CANT STOP US AND WILL ONLY  
CAUSE PANIC AND DISASTER



FROM : VOK  
TO : Editors  
Saga  
New York



SIRS :

It is imperative that we discuss at some length various misconstruances and false impressions which may be engendered by the divers articles by Mr. John Keel et al.

I speak now only of my own group, not wishing to be an uninvited spokesman for the other groups working here, especially those whose policies differ vastly from our own, and indeed have caused intense friction between us in the past and continue to do so.

My group, which shall remain unidentified because our identity is of no consequence to you, has been working in total secrecy on your planet since 1895.

During our long presence on your planet we have at no time interfered with your way of life, nor imposed ourselves upon you. We have indicated our presence to you in no way, and we shall continue to maintain this policy.

We use no space crafts such as you know as flying saucers, since all transportation to and from this planet is done by rather specialized forms of electronic matter transmission, which you have often called teleportation, and which is far beyond your own technical capacity.

All communication is carried out on frequencies and via modulation techniques which render them beyond the scope of your receiving equipment. You might be interested to know that it is an adaptation of the laser principle on frequencies far beyond the ultraviolet.

Our major purpose in communicating with you at this time is to assure you that we are in no way involved with those occurrences which Mr. Keel has described at length in the past months.

We are here purely as observers. It may not please you to know that your own fate is entirely immaterial to us, but that is the plain fact of the matter. We know that, left to your own devices, you will inevitably destroy your race and your planet. We will consider it unfortunate, but it will cause no consternation among us, as you are in fact no more than curious laboratory specimens.



Your planet is but one of a multitude under study by our group, and we accord you no more or less attention than the others. We have neither the desire nor the need to enter into cultural and trade relations with you, since you have very little to offer to us, and anything which we might be willing to deliver to you is beyond your own level of development - verily, beyond your very comprehension.

This is not to assert or to flaunt our superiority over you, however, because frankly your inferiority is a fact of life rather than of your own doing. Our development is thousands of years beyond your own, simply because we started earlier, and for no other reason. In the equivalent expanse of time, you would surely be as advanced as we - allowing that you did not exterminate yourself in one of your absurd wars, a fate which seems by all observations to be as certain as death.

Yet, you do mean nothing to us either way. We are neither hostile nor amicable to you, because you are an order of life totally alien to our own species, much as an ant-hill is to your own. It is the same passive interest which you have in the social order of these insects that we have in your race and your world.

We live amongst you purely as a scientist might live amongst aborigines - for study, research, and information; at such time as we have accumulated the required data, we shall withdraw our forces, and leave a few observers here to report on anything major which might be of some interest to us, such as your self-imposed extinction.

We will inform you that there are other forces at work here, from divers places, of both hostile and friendly inclinations. We have no contact with them, and what they achieve to either end is of no concern to us, except as part of the overall effect they have upon your own race.

At such times as we might find expedient, we will again communicate with you. At this time, our communication is complete.

You may know me as VOK, which is an acronym.

This original, or a copy, should be forwarded to Mr. Neel for his information.



# UFO Poll - Part 2

TABLE 1 - MEDIA POLL

Participants were asked to mark publications which they read frequently (at least one issue out of every three) or regularly (every issue). Figures rounded.

MEDIA	UFOLOGISTS	CONTROL GROUP
1. LOOK's UFO SPECIAL(1967)	100%	35%
2. SAGA	100%	1.5%
3. MEN	90%	45%
4. NATIONAL ENQUIRER	80%	70%
5. Dell's FS specials	80%	15%
6. FATE	77%	15%
7. FLYING SAUCER REVIEW	75%	NA (NOT ASKED)
8. SCIENCE DIGEST	75%	80%
9. SAUCER NEWS	70%	NA
10. UFOS '68 special	60%	NA
11. TRUE	60%	5%
12. NICAP UFO INVESTIGATOR	40%	0%
13. APRO BULLETIN	40%	0%
14. Palmer's FLYING SAUCERS	40%	NA
15. BEYOND	40%	NA
16. PLAYBOY	30%	30%
17. SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN	30%	30%
18. TIME AND/OR NEWSWEEK	30%	25%
19. SAUCER SCOOPS	30%	NA
20. SAUCERS, SPACE & SCIENCE	30%	NA
21. Var. foreign publications	30%	NA
22. PROBE (now defunct)	15%	NA
23. EXPLORING THE UNKNOWN	8%	NA

One of the main purposes behind the 1968-69 UFO poll conducted by Specialized Research was that of determining which publications were most widely read by ufologists and how many of these same publications were also read by members of the non-UFO-oriented control groups. A total of 250 UFO-oriented people were polled, largely by mail, and 250 non-UFO-oriented people were also polled. (See ANOMALY #2 for a fuller definition.) This group of 500 participants was considered representative of the overall "buffery", an estimated 5,000 people in the U.S.

Of the 22 publications named in the poll, 15 were nationally distributed and were easily available to the public. All had discussed the UFO controversy at some time in the past three years. Of the 8 most widely read (by both ufologists and control groups) magazines, five were definitely pro-UFO. None of these magazines were subjected to any form of governmental censorship or control. Several adopted an anti-Air Force position.

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PERTINENT PUBLICATIONS: There are hundreds of worldwide organizations and publications directly concerned with important aspects of the overall UFO phenomenon, yet none of these are interested in "flying saucer" sightings or manifestations and few, if any, UFO 'buffs' are even aware of their existence and their well organized efforts. The seemingly isolated fields of ecology, philosophy, theology, aretalogy and even "angelology" are all engaged in studies which are most meaningful to ufology. The historic discipline of phenomenology embraced all of these matters (including UFOs) and gradually moved from the study of physical events to philosophical abstractions. Advanced UFO researchers can understand this trend.

There are approximately 5,000 Ufologists worldwide, with a "super hardcore" of about 1,000 active investigators serviced by nearly 150 publications. Students of the above-mentioned fields number in the millions and are serviced by over 600 magazines, newsletters and assorted publications, many of which are superbly printed, well-edited, and enjoy very large circulations. Ufology rightfully belongs at the bottom of any list of such groups. We have been making contact with the non-UFO-oriented groups, carefully sifting out the "crackpot cults" and the irrational "buffery" types. Below is a listing of a few of the many publications available which contain information and ideas very relevant to the study of "flying saucers". Most of these groups will send you a sample copy and other literature free.

ENVIRONMENT: A first-rate scientific journal devoted to ecology and published by the Scientists' Institute for Public Information. Address: 438 N. Skinner Blvd.; St. Louis, Missouri 63130.

MAN-ON-EARTH: A journal "attempting to evolve a design-theory for Man on Earth". Address: S.P.R. Charter; Olema, Calif. 94950.

THE FUTURIST: Published by the World Future Society, "a clearing-house for information and ideas about the future". Address: The World Future Society, P.O. Box 19285, Twentieth Street Station; Washington, D.C. 20036.

ZYGON : Published by the Institute of Religion in an Age of Science. Attempting a synthesis between science and religion. Address: Ralph Wendell Burhoe, 5750 Ellis Ave., Chicago, Ill. 60637.

NEWSLETTER-REVIEW : Focuses on the study of states of mystical illumination such as those by the 19th century psychiatrist, R.M. Bucke. (Mystical illumination is identical to the UFO contactee experience.) Address: R.M. Bucke Memorial Society, 1266 Pine Avenue West; Montreal, P.Q., Canada.

JOURNAL OF HUMANISTIC PSYCHOLOGY : Address: American Association of Humanistic Psychology, 584 Page St.; San Francisco, Cal. 94117.



FOSMOS : Newsletter published by the Foundation for Studies of Modern Science. Devoted to the scientific study of the claims of Dr. Immanuel Velikovsky; staffed by reputable scientists from New York University. Address: 2 Washington Square Village, Suite 11B; New York, N.Y. 10012.

THE CENTER LETTER : A newsletter attempting "a network of communication for those forming a coalition of concern for man's future". Address: Mrs. Earl Hubbard, Lakeville, Conn. 06039.

PHILOSOPHY AND PHENOMENOLOGICAL RESEARCH : Published by the International Phenomenological Society. Address: State University of New York; Buffalo, N.Y. 14214.

PURSUIT : Quarterly journal of the Society for the Investigation of the Unexplained. Ivan T. Sanderson, director. Address: R.D. 1; Columbia, N.J. 07832.

INFO : Journal of the International Fortean Organization. Devoted to anomalous events in the tradition of Charles Fort. Address: P.O. Box 367; Arlington, Va. 22210.

The Universal Foundation : Issues periodic reports concerned with the collection and study of "messages" received by psychics, contactees. Address: 71 Princes House, Kensington Park Road; London, W. 11, England.

As if one Anomaly weren't enough to contend with, another entirely separate and distinct publication, also titled Anomaly, has recently come into being. It is a lavishly illustrated "fanzine" devoted to science-fiction and related interests. Address: Jan S. Strnad; 2540 Aloma; Wichita, Kansas 67211.

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HOWARD MENDER (N.J. CONTACTEE, 1956-57) IN NEW YORK, 1967.

"I often wonder what would happen to these people who say, 'Well, what proof do you have? If I could see a flying saucer or someone step out of a craft, boy, would I make sure the people knew about it'. Well, I just wonder about that. If you realized what people go through when this happens to them. If you really think you have guts enough to come out and tell people. Of course, nowadays it might be a little easier, but in the early '50's it was very, very rough, especially when you are in business and you are trying to act like a reputable citizen and bring up a family."

**PARANOIA:** A psychosis characterized by delusions of persecution and/or grandeur. The paranoid's thought processes and ego functions are usually well preserved and he is often able to defend his beliefs with the appearance of logic.

**SCHIZOPHRENIA:** A group of psychotic reactions characterized by severe emotional, intellectual and behavioral disturbance stemming from a view of the world that is apparently unrelated to the realities of the individual's situation and is determined by regressive functioning of the psychic apparatus.



## SUBJECTIVE SIGHTINGS

A great number of UFO sightings are entirely subjective. That is, the objects are seen only by specific individuals under very specific conditions while non-specific persons in the same areas see nothing. RAF Air Marshal Sir Victor Goddard has suggested that such sightings are made by persons with latent or active psychic abilities, but that when non-psychics stand within the "aura" of the psychic percipients they are also able to see objects which would normally be invisible to them. Our own field experiments indicate that this incredible hypothesis might actually be valid.

When a specific individual with the proper qualifications is located in a specific "window" area at a time when specific electromagnetic conditions exist (a "flap" period), then that individual is able to perceive beyond the visible spectrum, or, possibly, intercept a "signal" which plants an image in his or her mind. While the image may be very vivid and detailed it is actually non-real, subjective and "hallucinatory".

The big problem with this type of sighting is that it takes a highly trained investigator to determine whether or not the reported observation was real or subjective. None of the published UFO cases contain the information necessary to make a definite determination. However, in those cases in which the witness reported an unusually intense emotional

reaction it is probable that a subjective event occurred.

We term these cases "non-events". They are quite real to the percipient and can rarely be distinguished from objective sighting reports of possibly solid physical objects except by a very thorough in-depth investigation using objective professional methods. Many close (nearby low-level) LITS (lights-in-the-sky) sightings have proven to be subjective rather than real.

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## M.I.B. OF THE MONTH:

Jerome Clark came across the following passage in "The Autobiography of Malcolm X". The late (assassinated) black leader was in a prison cell when the following took place.

"As I lay on my bed, I suddenly became aware of a man sitting beside me in my chair. He had on a dark suit, I remember. I could see him as plainly as I see anyone I look at. He wasn't black, and he wasn't white. He was a light-brown skinned, an Asiatic cast of countenance, and he had oily black hair.

"I looked right into his face. I didn't get frightened. I knew I wasn't dreaming. I couldn't move, I didn't speak, and he didn't. I couldn't place him racially--other than I knew he was a non-European. I had no idea whatsoever who he was. He just sat there. Then, suddenly as he had come, he was gone."



Surprisingly, a larger percentage of the control group read MEN magazine than TRUE, SAGA, or even PLAYBOY. MEN published several pro-UFO articles in 1968. The NATIONAL ENQUIRER, which has been publishing well documented UFO articles since 1966, enjoyed high popularity among both the ufologists and the control group. LOOK's lavish, well-distributed 1967 UFO special was read by only 35% of the control group. Despite

TABLE 2  
MOST WIDELY READ PUBLICATIONS

1. SCIENCE DIGEST (A)
2. NATIONAL ENQUIRER (P)
3. MEN (P)
4. Dell's FS Specials (P)
5. FATE (P)
6. PLAYBOY (P)
7. SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN (A)
8. TIME/NEWSWEEK (N)

(A) Anti-UFO  
(P) Pro-UFO  
(N) Neutral

national newsstand distribution, EXPLORING THE UNKNOWN, a pro-UFO but poorly documented magazine, rated lowest in popularity among ufologists.

Only one person out of the 250 control group participants had even heard of NICAP. None knew of APRO.

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# by william burroughs

# MIND

# PARASITES!

*The Mind Parasites* by Colin Wilson,  
Panther Science Fiction 026983.

"The human race is being attacked by a sort of mind cancer. Something is sucking the human mind dry and has been sucking it for the past two hundred

~~years. That is the shattering discovery~~ made by Professor Gilbert Austin. Who or what is responsible? Mind parasites, malignant beings who lurk in the deepest layers of the unconscious'. . . (in precise physiological terms this would correspond to the back brain or hypothalamus) . . . 'sapping the very life force of mankind, cutting him off from his natural capacity for self renewal. . . It was all so unsettling that I broke the habit of years and drank a bottle of champagne at lunch time.'

There is considerable inferential evidence to indicate the actual existence of such a parasitic instance as this book postulates. An Italian sociologists said 'if you want to get to the bottom of any situation that seems on the surface inexplicable ask yourself the simple question 'who profits?' Who would profit from blocking every basic discovery about the human mind? Techniques are now available to alter consciousness and effect the hypothalamus directly. In a recent Mayfair article I described the experiments of doctor Miller who has demonstrated that any mammal can learn to control such seemingly involuntary processes as brain waves, blood pressure, rate of heart beats, his whole state of mind and body. Doctor Miller had great difficulty in raising funds for



his experiments. The importance of these experiments was completely missed by the press. The means are at hand to conquer inner space but they are not being used. Despite impressive technical advances the planet is still in the stone age psychologically. Who would profit from turning the clock all the way back to the stone age and keeping man out of space? A parasitic entity that lives in the human body and could not survive space. Only in the last two hundred years have technological advances made space exploration a possibility. By maintaining control of *inner space* the parasites can block any discovery or destroy anyone who suspects their existence. It is in fact unexplained suicides among scientists investigating inner space that leads to discovery of the parasites by the narrator Professor Gilbert Austin. Once the presence of the parasites is inferred the means to combat them is ob-

vious. They must be combatted by the brain itself pushed up to and beyond its limits so that men can read each other's thoughts, control, their own

thoughts and feelings. So they join battle with the parasites on equal terms. These are precisely the measures I have advocated in the Academy Series, measures that must be applied whether we believe in mind parasites or not if man is to expand his horizons and survive in the space age. There is no turning back to the false security of dogmatic creeds. 'To travel in space you must learn to leave the old verbal garbage behind: God talk, priest talk, mother talk, family talk, love talk, country talk, party talk. You must learn to exist with no religion no country, no allies. You must learn to see what is in front of you with no preconceptions.'

In Mr. Wilson's narrative it is a space voyage that finally defeats the parasites. They cannot survive in space. As the space craft travels further and further from the earth the parasites, still lurking in the crew, are in a panic. 'Now they felt their phychic links with the earth stretching and growing weaker and they were frightened. We now understood the nature of 'space fever' that had so far frustrated all men's efforts to penetrate further into space., Known, watched, the parasites become desperate. They now reveal themselves as creatures of a low intelligence floundering about like a beached squid. 'It happened on the fourteenth day. . . Something infinitely evil and slimy was pushing its way from

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# MIND PARASITES

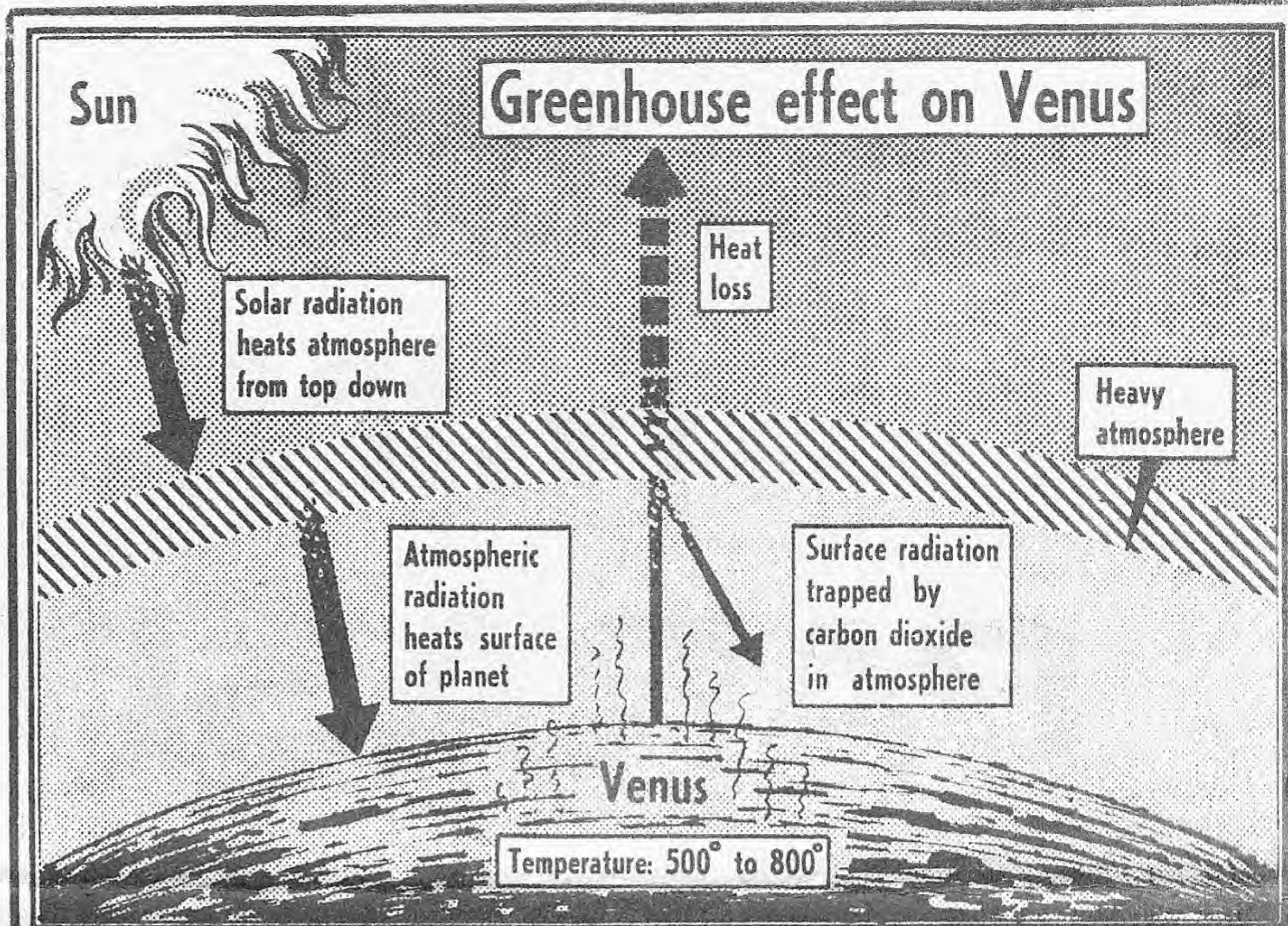
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inside me. I realized that I had been wrong to think of the parasites as separate beings. They were one, they were IT an immense jelly like octopus whose tentacles are separate from its body and can move about like individuals' (And this being is none other than the ancient slug Abhoth the Dark also known as Abhoth the Unclean). . . ' Now this infinitely vile thing was coming out of its lair and I could feel its hatred of me, a hatred so powerful and maniacal that it almost needs a new word. Then the inexpressible relief of knowing that it was gone. . . '

What has made this planet such a soft touch for Abhoth? . . . The greatest human limitation is that we are all tied to the present by an arbitrary identity, personal and national. What is identity? The identity of a shark is it's teeth, it's size, it's ability to eat and digest almost anything. An oyster's identity is its protective shell. Identity then is the

means by which an organism protects and maintains itself in a hostile environment and all environments that contain other such identities are hostile. And what is the identity of Abhoth the Dark? It's ability to remain hidden and carry on a parasitic existence that is hostile to the host by parasitic necessity. So we are all playing Abhoth's game. And by setting one identity against another Abhoth maintains himself indefinitely.

Isolation from such an environment is the first step in the unexplored territory of inner space. . . ' As man loses touch with his inner being he finds himself trapped in the world of consciousness that is to say the world of other people. 'Man is a political animal' said Aristotle telling one of the greatest lies in human history. For every man has more in common with the hills and with the stars than with other men. Other men do not supply our values. Other men do not matter in the way we have believed. Man is not alone. You could be the last man in the universe and you would not be alone.



By Henry Benson, staff artist

## It sizzles!

The massive Venusian atmosphere (90 percent choking carbon dioxide) acts like the roof of a greenhouse, trapping enough heat to melt lead at the planet's surface. Venusian weather may be driven differently from that on Earth, where the atmosphere is largely heated from the bottom by surface radiation.

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**NY TIMES**

#### 10th Soviet General Dies Within 17 Days

MOSCOW (AP)—The death of another Soviet general was announced today, the 10th in 17 days. The Defense Ministry newspaper Red Star said Lt. Gen. Boleslav A. Kenevich, 61, died after a long illness.

As usual, the general's illness was not specified. There has been nothing in the recent obituaries to suggest any connection between the generals' deaths despite such newspaper speculation in the West.

#### Another Russian General Dies, the 11th Since April 19

MOSCOW, May 9 (UPI)—The Soviet armed forces newspaper announced today the death of Lieut. Gen. Boleslaw A. Kenevich at the age of 62 "after a long and grave illness."

General Kenevich had been placed on the reserve list in 1954 because of ill health. He served with the Soviet armies in World War II and later with the Polish army.

The death was the 11th of a general staff officer to be reported in the newspaper since April 19. Five of the 11, all of them over 60 years old, were retired or on reserve.



The very basic validity of the Air Force figures is in doubt. The 1949 Project Grudge Report claimed that a total of 375 UFO sightings were received and studied between 1947 and 1949. This figure was widely published. When we add up the 1960 totals for those years we get 408. The 1966 total for those same years is 464. Thus, we have three distinct official totals for the same three years - 375, 408 and 464. The figures for "unknown" sightings has also proven to be widely variable over the years. So variable that they can not be taken seriously.

In previous articles I have offered my own calculations, based upon extensive field studies of my own, which have led me to conclude that as few as 2% of all UFO witnesses actually bother to report directly to the Air Force. The Condon study substantiates my

findings. This means that the Air Force statistics, even if they were accurate - which they're not, would be dealing with a sampling too small to provide any conclusive data. It also means that we must multiply each claimed Air Force statistic by almost 100 in order to really ascertain the scope of any particular flap. Thus, if the Air Force did receive 536 UFO sightings in July 1952, as claimed, then the actual total number of sightings that month was closer to 50,000!

Considering all of the visible discrepancies in the Air Force statistics, it is highly probable that the Pentagon has been deliberately reducing the figures all along, matching their statistics to the amount of publicity a given "flap" received. The "flap" of 1952 was well-publicized so they were forced to submit relatively high figures. Other, lesser known "flaps" were ignored and the official Air Force figures were set at absurdly low

numbers - 12 or 15.

The Table on page 514 of the Condon Report is purportedly a breakdown of the monthly sightings received by the Air Force from 1950 to 1968. I must point out that 1949's PROJECT GRUDGE REPORT terminated official Air Force interest in the subject. PROJECT BLUE BOOK was not established until later in 1951. Therefore, the figures for 1950-51 are automatically suspect. In 1958, BLUE BOOK claimed that it had received a total of 414 reports for the month of November 1957 alone. Table 1, page 514 of the Condon Report lists only 361 sightings for November 1957. So another 53 cases have vanished from the Air Force files over the years.

We can conclude that the Air Force statistics are a complete sham and always have been. They do not responsibly reflect the scope of the phenomenon and any scientific study of the published Air Force data is impossible.

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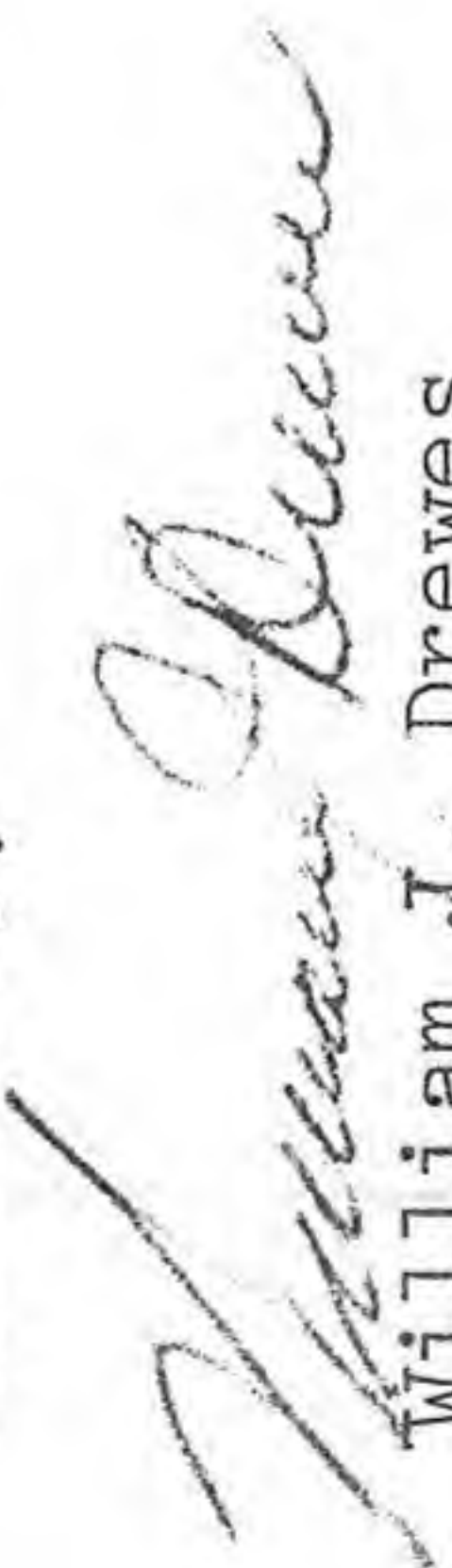
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Dear Mr. Keel:

Captain Lovell has never seen an unidentified flying object and is unqualified to enter into your controversy on that subject. However, he does appreciate your interest in writing to him.

Sincerely,

  
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GENERAL DIRECTORY of over 1,000 worldwide 1968 UFO sightings, listing reports and events by date and geographical location, with pertinent maps, breakdowns of significant factors. Compiled by Patrick A. Huyghe. A valuable research tool for serious researchers. 18 pages, mimeographed. \$1.00. UFO ANALYSIS & RESEARCH BULLETIN, 72 Jefferys Drive, Newport News, Va. 23601.

CLASSIFIED DIRECTORY of Spontaneous Phenomena, 1968. Summaries of 109 paranormal events in the British Isles during 1968, including UFO events, appearances of unusual entities, poltergeist phenomena, etc. Categorized and indexed. A special issue of JOURNAL OF PARAPHYSICS. \$5.50 per year. PARAPHYSICAL LABORATORY, Downton, Wiltshire, England.

STATISTICAL ANALYSIS of 579 Lunar anomalies, based upon the NASA publication Chronological Catalog of Reported Lunar Events. Prepared by Joseph M. Erhardt, 43 Richland Drive, Newport News, Va. 23602. 35¢ per copy.

INDEX to back issues of NICAP's UFO INVESTIGATOR. Also, an index of Ruppelt's book. Both available for 50¢ from George Earley, 9 Hiram Lane, Bloomfield, Conn. 06002.

FATE INDEX- 1968. Comprehensive index of all UFO, parapsychological and Fortean articles which appeared in FATE magazine in 1968. Free. Send a stamped (6¢), self-addressed business-sized (long) envelope to ANOMALY. Write "Fate" in lower left hand corner.

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"UFOS: AN ANNOTATED BIBLIOGRAPHY", prepared by Miss Lynn E. Catoe of the Library of Congress for the Air Force Office of Scientific Research. Softcover; 401 pages. It contains over 1,600 entries summarizing the contents of UFO-related books and magazine articles. \$3.50. Ask for AFOSR 68-1656. U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402.

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Astronaut Neil Armstrong addressing Congress, Sept. 16, 1969:

"In the next twenty centuries, the age of Aquarius of the great year, the age for which our young people have such high hopes, humanity may begin to understand its most baffling mystery- where are we going? The earth is, in fact, traveling many thousands of miles per hour in the direction of the constellation Hercules- to some unknown destination in the cosmos. Man must understand his universe in order to understand his destiny.

"Mystery, however, is a very necessary ingredient in our lives."

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